

Bloomfield Record.

An Ocean Horror.

The steamship Ville du Havre, of the Transatlantic line, has met with a terrible disaster at sea. She left New York on the 15th ult., and at 2 o'clock on the morning of the 23d colided with the British Ship Loch Earn, bound for New York. The steamer sank in a few minutes and more than two hundred of her passengers were lost.

At the time of the collision the weather was clear; little wind was blowing, but there was a heavy sea. The captain had just retired, and the second officer was in charge.

The Loch Earn struck the steamer amidships and made a chasm twelve feet deep and from twenty five to thirty feet wide.

In the brief interval between the collision and the sinking of the steamer the crew were able to launch only a whaleboat and and the captain's gig. The Loch Earn went a mile before stopping. She then got out four boats to pick up the people struggling in the water. Meanwhile the whaleboat, under the command of the second lieutenant of the Ville du Havre, picked up one load of those who were clinging to the planks, spars, &c., and took them to the Loch Earn. She returned to the scene and rescued another load.

There were eighty seven persons saved from the wreck, only twenty seven of whom, unfortunately, were passengers, the others being from the officers and crew.

The boats continued to search the waters in the vicinity of the disaster until there was no hope of saving more lives. The cold was intense. Many of the survivors were immersed two hours, and were almost lifeless when rescued.

The purser of the ill-fated steamship gives the following narrative: "We were seven days out on Saturday night. I was sleeping in my berth when the collision occurred. Rushing on deck I descried a sailing ship, and three minutes later gained the fearful conviction that the steamship was going down by the bow. Thirty or forty passengers managed to get into the launch, and life grew strong within them when they were freed from the sinking vessel; but suddenly the mizzenmast fell and left the side of the vessel, killing or wounding nearly all of them. Immediately after the mainmast fell on the deck, killing and wounding more. The water was rushing down the windpipe with fearful velocity. The vessel was sinking. I jumped overboard with another, and commenced swimming towards the Loch Earn, which was half a mile off. Looking around, I saw the steamer disappear, without seeing, going down like a dream. For a moment a mighty shriek rent the air—the last outbreath of agony. A death-like calm succeeded the noise and tumult. The captain remained on the bridge during the whole scene. He was rescued one hour later. Six officers out of fifteen were saved, all by swimming for life, with the exception of the first lieutenant, who went in a boat to the Loch Earn.

Captain Suimont, who remained on deck till the last, was rescued three-quarters of an hour after the collision.

Six hours after the disaster, the American ship Trimountain sighted the Loch Earn and the rescued passengers were transferred to the former which arrived at Cardiff on Monday.

Tweed in the Penitentiary.

Wm. M. Tweed has at last arrived at the Penitentiary on Blackwell's Island, where on Saturday last he was put through the regular form. He took a bath, was shaved, had his hair cropped, was weighed and measured, uniformed, and asked the usual questions and examined, going through all this without complaint. He has been assigned to duty as the hospital assistant orderly, a position which the "Boss" cheerfully accepted.

The hospital is on the fourth floor, and runs the full length of one of the large wings. Two rows of cots extend through the room, and in the center is a great stove. There are two desks, several cases of medicines, and large quantities of bandages and lint. Seventeen patients occupy cots, and to them Tweed is to minister. The chief orderly is a well educated young man of good family. He was sent to the penitentiary for stealing and selling a railroad ticket, belonging to the Pennsylvania Company, entitling the holder to passage from Philadelphia to San Francisco. He has four years yet to serve. The physician gives instructions to this orderly, who tells Tweed what to do. Tweed is said, has already taken a liking to the young man, and they are thought to be very agreeable companions.

The distress in Paterson is very great. Six thousand men, it is estimated are out of work. On Monday morning groups of men gathered on street corners, and later they marched through the streets shouting, "Bread or blood!" They went to the City Hall and were addressed by the Mayor. One man mounted a wagon and made inflammatory speeches to his companions, and the multitude shouted, "Work or Bread!" and Some proposed to sack the provision stores, saying that it would be better to be in jail with plenty of food and fuel. After the Mayor assured them that they should be set to work as soon as tools could be provided, they dispersed.

Ingersoll and Farrington, two more of the N. Y. Ring robbers, have been convicted and sentenced, the former receiving five years in Sing Sing prison. Judge Davis is rapidly redeeming the N. Y. Bench from the reproach which such men as Barnard and Mc Cunn had cast upon it.

Isaac Marsh, a resident of Rahway, while carelessly handling a pistol on Tuesday, accidentally fired the weapon and shot his son, Holte Marsh, inflicting it is feared, a mortal wound.

A large meeting was held in the Town Hall of Springfield in regard to lighting up with gas. A committee was appointed to receive subscriptions, and a large sum was raised on the spot.

The Rooke-Coyne prize fight which was to have come off near Wilkesbarre, Pa, Dec. 3d broke up in a general row.

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